

Remarks and Arguments

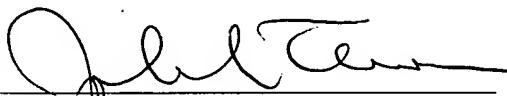
The Claims

In response to the office action mailed August 25, 2006, the Applicant canceled claims 1-3 and 7-9, and re-wrote claims 4 and 10 into independent form. Applicant inadvertently omitted markings in claims 4 and 10 showing the amendments made. The claims in the previous response are re-submitted here with corrections showing the amendments made. Applicant regrets the inconvenience to the Examiner.

Conclusion

Applicant believes all remaining claims are now in condition for allowance.

Respectfully Submitted,

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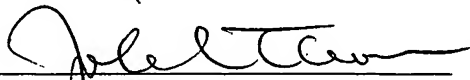
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